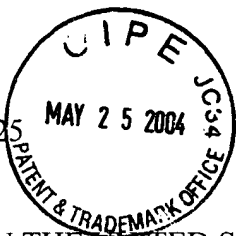




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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application dated January 16, 2004. In conformity with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(f), a bona fide

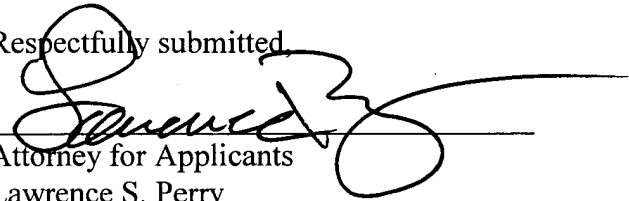
attempt was made to comply with 1.98, but submission hereof was delayed until the accompanying Amendment after Final was made (which required completion of a sworn translation on April 22, 2004), so as not to inconvenience the Examiner with piecemeal prosecution. Since submission by April 16, 2004 would still have followed the final Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit there is no extra work required on the part of the Patent Office.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p).

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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